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DECLARATION

I, Toshiaki WATANABE, of HIRAKI & ASSOCIATES, do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:

- 1. That I am well acquainted with the English and Japanese languages and am competent to translate from Japanese into English.
- 2. That I have executed, with the best of my ability, a true and correct translation into English of Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-285306 filed on September 19, 2001, a copy of which I attach herewith.

This 17th day of July, 2003

Toshiaki WATANABE